

# California OES Weather Threat Briefing

Monday, December 17, 2018  
9:00 AM PST

- **Day 1 Primary Hazards:** Northern and Central Sierra travel impacts continue with additional snow. Additional significant rainfall and gusty south winds move into northwest CA again tonight into Tuesday. Minor coastal flooding for central coast.

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# Key Points

12/17/18 - 12/23/18

## Monday-Tuesday

- Difficult mountain travel conditions continue across the Northern Sierra through late this morning with additional accumulating snow across higher passes above about 6500 feet
- Additional winter mountain travel difficulties for the Sierra Nevada from Yosemite to Kings Canyon through this afternoon due to additional snowfall accumulations above about 6000 feet
- Significant rainfall and gusty south winds again tonight into Tuesday for the northwest coast and across extreme northern portions of CA.
- Minor coastal flooding potential again early Tuesday at high tide along the central coast, with beach erosion, very strong rip currents, and possible damage to piers and coastal structures



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## Wednesday-Sunday

- Potential for offshore winds continues for the middle of the week, with warmer conditions and lower humidity for coastal and inland southern CA areas and periods of gusty Santa Ana winds, but no significant fire weather impacts are expected
- Confidence is still low on any impacts, but potential for Northern CA precipitation producing storm systems exists for Thursday and again late in the upcoming weekend



# California Weather Impacts

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<u>Hazards / Day</u>	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
Non-Thunderstorm Damaging Winds	Inland						
Snow	Inland						Inland
Coastal Flooding	Southern	Southern					
River Flooding							
Thunderstorms (Wind / Hail / Tornadoes)	Coastal/ Inland						
Fire Weather (Low Humidity / Wind / Dry Thunderstorms)							
Heat Risk							
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding / Debris Flow	Coastal/ Inland	Coastal					Coastal/ Inland
Extreme Cold							



No Impacts



Minimal Impacts



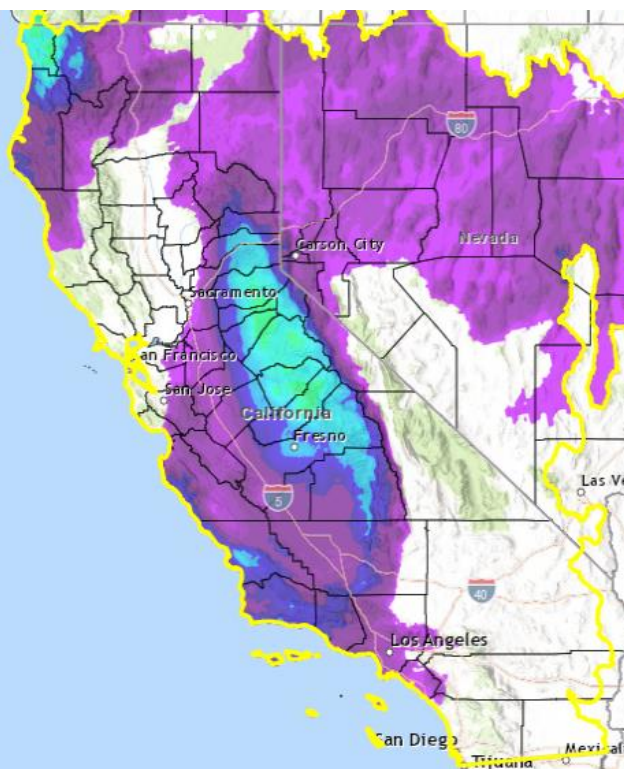
Moderate Impacts



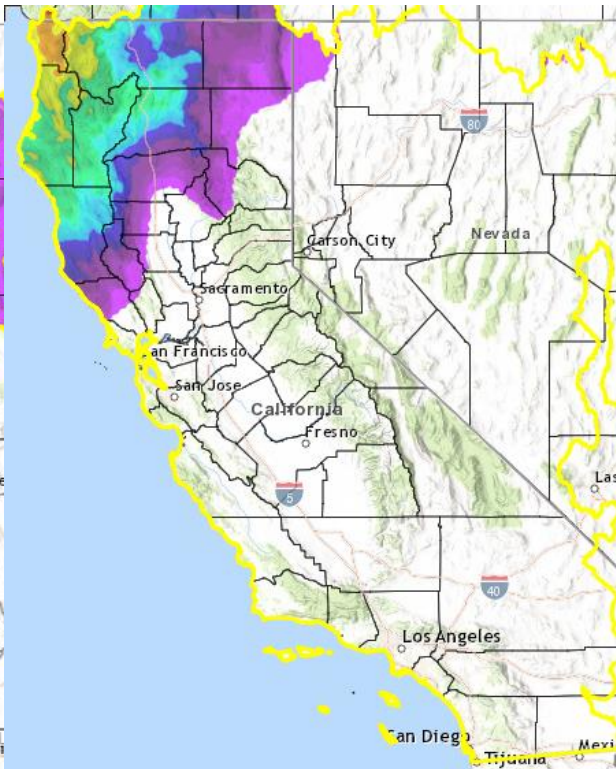
Severe Impacts

# Precipitation Forecast

Precipitation (inches)



Monday



Tuesday



Wednesday



# 6-10 Day Outlook (Dec 22-26)

## Temperatures

- Above normal temperatures favored statewide

## Precipitation

- Above normal precipitation is favored for much of northern CA, with Near normal precipitation elsewhere

# 8-14 Day Outlook (Dec 24-30)

## Temperatures

- Above normal temperatures favored for Coastal Region and much of Southern Region, with near Normal temperatures elsewhere

## Precipitation

- Near normal precipitation favored for central and southern CA, with above normal precipitation slightly favored for northern CA



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